<center>**REMARKS**</center>

In the office action dated July 1, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 2-11 as being anticipated by Flanagin. The Examiner also objected to the drawings and claims 2 and 5. Applicants amended claims 2 and 5 and the drawings. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the amendment and the following remarks.

Claims:

Applicant amended claims 2 and 5 to include the suggestions of the Examiner.

The Examiner cited col. 8, lines 10-45 of Flanagin as a basis in rejecting claim 2. Applicant respectfully submits that the cited paragraph of Flanagin does not teach "wherein at least one member of said apparatus and said at least one portable unit comprises a clock and generates non-deterministic digital contents at times determined by said clock ...." The cited paragraph of Flanagin is as follows:

> "FIG. 5 is a state or flow diagram illustrating various operating states and actions performed by the profile manager module 12. At state 120, the mobile device 3A is connected (if not already connected from the registration procedure) and the profile identifier 91A is read, if present. Operation then continues to state 122. At stated 122, the profile manager module 12 examines all of the stored profile identifiers in the partnership information 10 to determine if a match exists. **In the exemplary embodiment, each profile area 13A and 13B stored in the desktop computer 4 is identified by a unique identifier (profile identifier) that is assigned at profile area creation time by a random number generator.** The profile identifier is stored in the profile areas 13A and 13B, preferably along with a unique device name, a description of the mobile device and other device data. The profile identifier is used by the desktop computer 4 to refer to each particular profile area 13A and 13B stored therein. As discussed above, the profile areas 13A and 13B contain data or settings that are needed to provide the desired services to the connected mobile device 3A. The profile areas 13A and 13B stored in the desktop computer 4 correspond to the connected mobile devices 3A and 3B. Preferably, the mobile device 3A has one profile area 13A and 13B with the desktop computer 4. However, since unique profile identifiers are used for each partnership, it would be

possible for the mobile device 3A to have multiple partnerships with the same desktop computer 4. A suitable user interface either on the desktop computer 4 or on the mobile device 3A would query the user as to which of the stored profile areas to use. Nevertheless, the data in each profile area 13A and 13B pertains to only that partnership and will not affect any other partnership. If a profile area 13A is found based on the profile identifier stored at 91A, operation of the profile manager module 12 proceeds to state 123, whereat the stored user settings are used and provided to any required service." (emphasis added).

The profile identifier in Flanagin is created at profile area creation time. As explained below, this time is determined by a user and not "by said clock," as recited in claim 2. The way the profile identifier is created is described in the following places in Flanagin:

"If either the connected mobile device 3A or the desktop computer 4 has no profile identifiers in its list ... the user is queried through a suitable user interface (UI) dialog box provided on the desktop computer 4 as to whether the user would like to log on as a guest or create a new user specific profile area 13A" (col. 8, lines 46-52)

"If the user will not be interacting with the desktop computer 4 as a guest, the user can **create a new profile area** which will be stored on the desktop computer 4, and which is represented in FIG. 6 at state 128." (col. 9, lines 27-30; emphasis added).

"The profile manager module 12 assigns **the profile identifier** which will be stored in the profile area 13A and in the mobile device 3A at 91A. Preferably, the user is then queried to enter a unique device name for the connected mobile device 3A." (col. 9 lines 40-42; emphasis added).

Thus, it is clear that the profile identifier is created when a user wishes to create a new profile. This time is independent of a clock inside the desktop computer or the mobile device.

Because of the significant differences between applicant's invention and Flanagin, applicant believes that claim 2 is neither anticipated by nor obvious over Flanagin.

Claims 3-11 depend from claim 2, and are patentable on at least the same basis as claim 2.

Specification:

In the paragraph between page 10, line 24 and page 11, line 7, the words "Fig. 5" on page 10, line 29, should be "Fig. 6" to conform to the drawings. The amendment to this paragraph corrected the typo.

Drawings:

Applicant amended Figs. 1A, 2A-2C, 3A, 3B, 6 and 7 to include arrowheads. Applicant believes that Fig. 6 should not be changed to Figs. 6A and 6B. In the specification, Fig. 6 is described as "a radio frequency identification (RFID) tag system 300." The system in this embodiment contains a tag 302, an interrogator 304, and a computer system 334 (all shown in Fig. 6). Thus, it is not appropriate to separate Fig. 6 into Figs. 6A and 6B.

Applicant believes that all the objections and rejections have been satisfactorily answered. The allowance of the present application is respectively urged.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees for the IDS and this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1243 (Our Docket No. LOCREM-01).

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